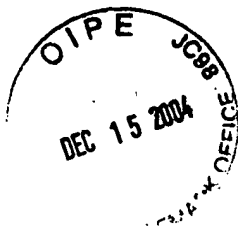


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Sir:

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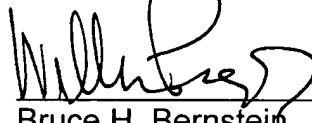
Applicant notes that his document was inadvertently omitted from the Form PTO-1449 submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement. Although Applicant assumes that the document was considered by the Examiner. A form PTO-1449 listing the document is attached hereto to confirm such consideration and to thus complete the record.

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Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 and return a copy to the Applicant to confirm consideration of this document.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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